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## **Aptilo Managed Service Enables Metro Wi-Fi Network in the City of Mecca for Pilgrims to Islamic Hajj, Working with Tropos Networks Read more...**

**STOCKHOLM; DALLAS; AND KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA** – December 19, 2007 –Aptilo Networks, the global leader in integrated solutions for Service Management and Access Control for wireless networks including WiMAX, Metro-Wi-Fi and Wi-Fi hotspots, is managing the service for the metro Wi-Fi network deployed in the City of Mecca for Islamic Hajj, a pilgrimage expected to gather together more than three million Muslims. Aptilo is working with Tropos® Networks who provided the company's MetroMesh™ system for the deployment.

The broadband Wi-Fi network will be in place throughout the week of Hajj. Internet access is free; visitors need only to register to utilize the service.

Deployed with Bayanat Al-Oula for Network Services, the Tropos-based wireless network utilizes the Aptilo Managed Service™, an ideal option for organizations wanting to swiftly deploy a wireless service management solution without burdening IT and network support staff or being distracted from their core business. Aptilo's solution enables rapid deployment, a key benefit, as the Wi-Fi network will be enabled only for the week of Hajj. It includes the robust Aptilo Service Management Platform™ for a highly scalable carrier-grade wireless solution.

"Millions of pilgrims will make their way to Mecca this year, many of whom bring their wireless devices, laptops etc.," said Torbjorn Ward, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, Aptilo Networks. "This installment leverages Aptilo's rapid deployment capabilities in a scalable platform that can adapt to a larger audience of users should the need arise. We are honored to be a part of this event, offering broadband wireless Internet access to the City of Mecca for this important occasion."

The Aptilo wireless service management platform for public Wi-Fi networks is a multiservice architecture for wireless service management that effectively handles data and voice service delivery across multiple devices while enabling creation of new revenue-generating value-added services and supporting future network scalability in a unified platform. Aptilo's feature-rich, comprehensive Wi-Fi service management solution encompasses authentication, authorization, accounting (AAA), portal management, service monitoring, security, statistics and customer care options.

While the Aptilo Service Management Platform is operated from one of Aptilo's Network Operations Centers (NOC), the Aptilo Access Controller™ needs to be on-site to oversee access- and QoS control. It works together with the Wi-Fi mesh network from Tropos Networks, the market leader in delivering metro-scale wireless IP mesh networks.

### **About Aptilo Networks**

Aptilo offers a comprehensive wireless service management platform designed for service providers, enterprises and municipalities needing a rapidly deployable, scalable multiservice solution to easily manage data and voice services over WiMAX, Metro wireless and WiFi networks.

From smaller initial installations up to large carrier networks, Aptilo's cost-efficient solution for wireless service management and delivery provides a rapid time to market while flexibly supporting future network and service expansion.

Selected by premier technology partners such as Nortel, Cisco and HP, Aptilo has become a global leader and the provider of choice enabling service providers, businesses and governments to rapidly manage and deliver highly secure voice and data services in public, semi-public and private wireless access zones in over 35 countries worldwide. For additional information, please visit [www.aptilo.com](http://www.aptilo.com)

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